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SUPERFUND RECORDS

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ACTIVITIES  
STATUS OF MARTHA C. ROSE CHEMICALS, INC. SITE  
IN HOLDEN, MISSOURI

January 15, 1987

Site:	<i>Rose Chemicals</i>
ID#:	<i>MOD980633069</i>
Break:	<i>1.1</i>
Other:	<i>1-15-87</i>
<i>078D</i>	

1. Legal Activities

A CERCLA Section 106 Administrative Order on Consent has been entered into by 13 companies and utilities (Rose Chemical Steering Committee) that sent PCBs or PCB items to the Holden facility, Lear Siegler, Inc. and the city of Holden. Pursuant to this order, work plans submitted on December 10 have been reviewed and comments are being prepared. Much of the work to secure and stabilize the site and contain PCB releases has already been undertaken by the companies.

The majority of the responses to the CERCLA Notice Letters, which were sent to approximately 650 potentially responsible parties (PRP), have been received and are being reviewed by EPA staff. Telephone conferences are being conducted in response to PRP questions and follow-up letters as appropriate are being developed. Other potentially responsible parties are still being identified.

2. Remedial Activities

The contractor for the Rose Chemical Steering Committee is in the process of inventorying the vast amount of material at the site in preparation for final remedial actions. We have been informed the inventory of transformers has been completed, although we have not seen the inventory to date.

3. Immediate Removal Activities

Contaminated soil has been removed from the Hayes subsite and sample results indicate the area is below the PCB level of concern. All known contaminated equipment and materials except a contaminated boat located on Buxton property have been returned to the Holden site. The boat has been secured with a plastic cover. The remaining contamination at the Huhn subsite will be addressed when access from the out-of-town property owners is obtained. We are actively pursuing access at this time.

4. Ultimate Site Cleanup

Discussions with representatives of the Rose Chemical Steering Committee on final site cleanup continue.

5. Accumulated PCB Sludge at Holden, Missouri

The sludge has been solidified by mixing with kiln dust and can be disposed of in an approved sanitary landfill. Approval of request for disposal at an area landfill has not as yet been granted by landfill operators.